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NEWSCASTER: Despite a week filled with diplomatic squabbles, Nicaraguan officials say they're glad that special US envoy Richard Stone is visiting their country today.

Stone will meet with leaders of the leftist government as part of his effort to bring peace to the troubled region.

There could be as many as 1800 new Soviet troops in Cuba but US intelligence officials aren't sure what they might be doing on the island. There's speculation they could be replacing or reinforcing existing forces.